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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 2614**

**PATENT**  
**1163-0363P**

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Masahiro FUKUDA	Conf.:	3054
Appl. No.:	09/977,376	Group:	2614
Filed:	October 16, 2001	Examiner:	P. NATNAEL
For:	OUTPUT INFORMATION CONTROL DEVICE AND OUTPUT CONTROL METHOD		

### **EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 28, 2005

Sir:

Applicant's representatives, Michael Cammarata and John Voisinnet, initiated an Examiner's Interview with John Miller and Paulos Natnael on December 29, 2004 to discuss the propriety of the rejections applied to claims 1-20.

Agreement was reached that the Final Office Action dated October 21, 2004 would be withdrawn and a new Office Action would be issued. Because the Final Office Action was withdrawn, Applicant does not have to take any further action as the six-month statutory period for response is suspended and will reset upon the issuance of the subsequent Office Action.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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